

## 🕒 TCS NQT Prime Role - 22-Day Study Plan

This revised plan ensures **efficient coverage of key topics** while keeping enough practice for **real-time coding challenges**.

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### Week 1: Fundamentals & Problem-Solving

#### Day 1-2: Sorting, Searching & Two-Pointer Approach

- 🕒 **Sorting:** QuickSort, MergeSort, Counting Sort
- 🕒 **Binary Search:** Lower Bound, Upper Bound
- 🕒 **Two-Pointer:** Pair sum, Closest sum in sorted arrays
- 🕒 **Practice:** Leetcode (Search in Rotated Sorted Array, Two Sum, 3 Sum)

#### Day 3: Sliding Window & Greedy Algorithms

- 🕒 **Sliding Window:** Maximum sum subarray, Longest substring without repeating characters
- 🕒 **Greedy:** Activity Selection, Huffman Encoding
- 🕒 **Practice:** TCS NQT past questions on Greedy & Sliding Window

#### Day 4: Prefix Sum & Subarrays

- 🕒 **Prefix Sum:** Subarray sum queries, Difference Array
- 🕒 **Kadane's Algorithm:** Maximum Subarray Sum
- 🕒 **Practice:** Leetcode "Maximum Sum Circular Subarray"

#### Day 5: Revision & Mock Test

- 🕒 Solve 2-3 TCS NQT past questions
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### Week 2: Trees, Graphs & Recursion

#### Day 6-7: Trees & Binary Search Trees (BST)

- 🕒 **Tree Traversals:** Preorder, Inorder, Postorder, Level Order
- 🕒 **BST Operations:** Insert, Delete, Find Kth Smallest
- 🕒 **Practice:** Leetcode "Lowest Common Ancestor (LCA)"

#### Day 8-9: Graphs (DFS, BFS, MST)

- **DFS & BFS:** Shortest Path in Unweighted Graph
- **Minimum Spanning Tree (MST):** Kruskal's & Prim's
- **Practice:** Number of Islands, Connected Components

## Day 10: Shortest Path Algorithms

- **Dijkstra's Algorithm (Weighted Graphs)**
- **Bellman-Ford Algorithm (Handles Negative Weights)**
- **Practice:** Shortest path in city map

## Day 11: Revision & Mock Test

- Solve TCS NQT graph-based problems
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## Week 3: Dynamic Programming & Advanced Topics

### Day 12-13: DP Basics & Fibonacci Patterns

- **Top-Down (Memoization) & Bottom-Up (Tabulation)**
- **Fibonacci, Climbing Stairs, Subset Sum**
- **Practice:** Coin Change Problem

### Day 14: DP on Strings & Subarrays

- **LIS (Longest Increasing Subsequence), LCS (Longest Common Subsequence)**
- **Edit Distance, Minimum Insertions for Palindrome**
- **Practice:** Leetcode "Minimum Insertions to Make a String Palindrome"

### Day 15: Backtracking & Subsets

- **Subsets, Permutations, N-Queens Problem**
- **Sudoku Solver, Word Search**
- **Practice:** Generate All Parentheses Combinations

### Day 16: Revision & Mock Test

- Solve past coding questions from TCS NQT
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## Week 4: Edge Cases & Final Mock Tests

## Day 17: Hashing, Heap & Monotonic Stack

- **Hashmaps:** Count frequency, Anagrams
- **Heap (Priority Queue):** Top K elements, Median in Stream
- ◎ **Practice:** Find Kth largest element

## Day 18: Trickier Problems & Edge Cases

- **Handling Large Numbers & Modular Arithmetic**
- **Fast Exponentiation, Reducing Complexity**
- ◎ **Practice:** TCS NQT optimization-based problems

## Day 19-20: Full-Length Mock Tests

- ◎ Solve **2 full-length TCS NQT coding tests**
- ◎ Identify weak topics and improve

## Day 21: Revision

- ◎ Revise **cheat sheet + key problem-solving approaches**

## Day 22: Final Quick Revision + Light Practice

- ◎ Solve a few **easy-medium level problems to stay confident**
- ◎ Relax & get **mentally ready for the exam**

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## ● **Additional Resources for Practice**

- ◎ **TCS NQT Specific:** CodeVita past problems, TCS Digital problems
- ◎ **Leetcode Topics:** Graphs, DP, Sliding Window
- ◎ **GeeksforGeeks:** TCS NQT practice sets